ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, Richmond, August 2, 1862.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 55.

Paragraph II, General Orders No. 42, current series, is hereby revoked, and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

Where martial law has been proclaimed, the civil tribunals are authorized to grant injunctions, to make orders, and to take such steps as may be necessary to prevent irreparable mischief, to secure the possession of infants in the persons entitled thereto, to decide suits for divorce, to make orders for alimony, and to secure the personal safety of the parties to such suits, to recover rents, and the possession of real estate and slaves, and to restore the possession of property tortiously changed.

By order.

S. COOPER,
Adjutant and Inspector General.